

## CONTEST AT DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

Results in Selection of Senator Avery for Town Treasurer and W. W. Lang for Water Commissioner—Other Nominations Unanimous at Large Gathering.

There were over 400 in the town hall Friday evening for the democratic caucus for the selection of candidates for the city election. The assembly was the largest the party has brought out in years. There were more than enough to fill all the seats and a large number stood up during the hour it was in session. A contest was the cause of the large attendance and ballots were taken on candidates for city treasurer and for water commissioner, though neither contest was close.

At 8:10 o'clock E. C. Lillibridge, chairman of the democratic town committee, called the caucus to order, and Joseph T. Fanning was unanimously chosen as chairman of the caucus. He addressed the gathering, saying that such a large gathering is a pleasant sign of civic animation and interest, and the assembly is no larger than the importance of the business demands. The object of the meeting is to place before the citizens those whom we wish to represent us as part of the city government for the next year or two years as their duties require. This will be an important year in the city's business and scarcely a year will demand such close attention.

Whatever will be the result of the city election, the strength will be with the democrats because the administration must continue democratic. However, we must take care not only of the present but of the years to come, and we must make the council as it should be, unanimously democratic (applause) and it would be evidence of almost indifference to do anything indicating a preference for a republican administration when the republican party and principles have been so generally repudiated from one end of the country to the other.

If there is a desire to put the republicans in power and an answer is desired, let the answer come from the experience of the past. Look at the two years of republican inefficiency preceding the past year.

We should indicate tonight that it is our purpose to place capable, honest, straightforward men who are interested in the city's welfare on the ticket and if that is done there can be no doubt of the result. I believe we will carry to victory the entire ticket, said Mr. Fanning. It is the very soul and essence of belief of the democratic party that we are to go by the rule of the majority, so if there is a contest let us show that we are ready to abide by the majority. What is done should be submitted to and supported on election day.

He read the call for the caucus and calling for the selection of a clerk, Attorney Thomas J. Kelly was selected on the nomination of Henry Gebrahr and John F. Craney by nomination of Dr. J. J. Donohue. The selection of candidates then followed and each one named was recorded applause.

**Nomination of Aldermen.**  
As the first to be placed on the ticket for alderman, Charles E. Briggs said he wished to present a man who had been a business man here for a term of years, is at present a member of the school board, and socially is president of one of the largest clubs in the city. He is one of the very best citizens for the position in the city and he nominated Thomas H. Beckley of the Second district. He was chosen by acclamation.

For second place as alderman, C. V. James nominated Dr. William C. McLaughlin of the Third district, declaring him to be a well known young man who has always lived here, the son of an old settler. He has taken an active interest in politics, is well known here and popular. He was the unanimous choice of the caucus.

### Councilmen Chosen.

There was no contest for councilmen. J. H. Russell named Florence J. Delaney of the Third district, E. C. Lillibridge nominated Joseph P. Williams of the Second, Thomas J. Kelly named Albert Cruthers, and Dr. J. J. Donohue presented the name of Ellsworth E. Baker, and all were selected by acclamation.

### Clerk and Treasurer.

Upon the nomination by Councilman John Barry, Stephen D. Moore was unanimously chosen for city clerk.

John F. Coughlin started the contest for city treasurer when he nominated Charles S. Avery. He said that for some time past the democratic party has placed on the ticket a republican for city treasurer, and without offering one word of criticism of him who has so ably filled the duties, he believed there are reasons now why the democratic party should place the name of a democrat on the ticket. It has been said tonight that whatever may be the result of election the city for the coming year will be under the control, businesswise, of democratic officials. In the past year there has been such control and whatever criticism may be almost indecency to do anything indicating a preference for a republican administration when the republican party and principles have been so generally repudiated from one end of the country to the other.

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the present incumbent, Thomas A. Robinson, and he was selected. For city sheriffs, ex-Councilman John Sullivan named Timothy A. Carey and John F. Shugrue named Gustav A. Thumma and both were chosen.

### Water Commissioner.

The big fight was over water commissioner. Dr. Harriman said that for years he had been interested in the water department, it having been his pleasure and honor to act as a water commissioner for six years, and he believed he knew of the duty and responsibility of the board. At the present time the commissioners are developing a large proposition, in which I have had implicit confidence for ten years, and in my opinion it would be a mistake and a misfortune to change the ensemble of the board. They have become acquainted and have a full knowledge of the contracts and the work of developing the large reservoir, and I might say, said Dr. Harriman, it would be a mistake if the republican party did not return to the board the republican member whose term now expires. Albert S. Comstock, a man whose experience is of great importance to the city. He said he is not opposed to any democrat and any democrat is entitled to the respect of the democratic party. In the past year the president of the board was unable to attend the meetings and the responsibilities fell upon Mr. Lang.

It may be said he is a member of the council, where he has been active. Obviously, he said, he would be opposed to his renomination on that ground, but this is an unusual year, and he was elected to fill out the term of E. C. Lillibridge and Mr. Lillibridge resigning the office and coming up for re-election he would have favored it. Mr. Lang is fully acquainted with the proposition the city is developing. The city has a large sum of money to spend and it should be judiciously spent. He would consider it a discredit not to be returned to the work which had been started by him. It is only regrettable that the party has not sent more men to the council to be heard from as has Mr. Lang.

There has been a most trying year for the commissioners, like no other. The commissioners and superintendent have been subjected to much criticism, but I leave it to you to say whether it was just or unjust. As a member of the citizens' committee to confer with the board he said here was not one suggestion that they made but what the board was willing to carry out. If they have been criticized it was not their fault. There are only certain things they can do. They have brought order out of chaos and are in a position to guarantee no danger of a water famine this year or the years to come. He believed the party would make a mistake by not continuing in office men who have brought this about. As a democrat he placed in nomination the present capable incumbent, W. W. Lang.

Michael Hourigan nominated J. J. Shugrue.

There were 202 who voted, Mr. Lang receiving 124 votes and Mr. Shugrue 108, and upon the motion of Mr. Shugrue it was made unanimous.

The town committee was given power to fill vacancies and the caucus adjourned at 9:07.

### The Tuberculin Test.

Over in Rhode Island they are having a fight to keep out diseased cattle by applying the tuberculin test, and, apparently, with the same uprising of farmers against it that is to be noted at Hartford. Why anybody should be willing to allow other states to dump their diseased cattle on the local market is something that passes understanding. We suppose the farmers consider it the first step toward applying the tuberculin test to all cattle.

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## Incidents in Society

Miss Elizabeth Pullen of Lincoln avenue is spending a few days in Boston.

Miss Grace S. Benjamin has been spending part of the week in New York.

Miss Elizabeth M. Trumbull of Perkins avenue is visiting friends in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Vilette Gould of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., is the guest of Mrs. Donald G. Perkins of Warren street.

Mrs. Henry S. Ginnel and son of Brooklyn, N. Y., are the guests of Mrs. George W. Carroll of Broadway.

Mrs. Mary S. Lamb of Hobart avenue is spending Sunday in New Haven with her son, Joseph I. Lamb.

Misses Louise and Helen Robinson of Sachem street are spending several days in New Haven and New York.

Mrs. Asher Wilcox and Mrs. Henry T. Arnold of Williams street have returned from a few days' visit in Boston.

Sydney Smith, formerly of Norwich, who has spent most of the time in Europe for the past few years, is in town at present.

Misses Rebecca and Ruth Reynolds, who have been in town during the week, visiting relatives, have returned to their home in Newton Center, Mass.

### A Picture of a Senator.

Senator Judson continues to look grave and monumental, the typical leader of the senate, despite the published record of his course in the affairs of the New Haven judgeship. He is not easily pleased. He has got his eleven official reporters appointed and salaried and he can afford to look serene. He has a way of taking up on the floor of the senate any newspaper comments he does not like and if any of his boys or their real employees should offend it will be interesting to note whether he would then cut them off his list. His course in the judgeship matter has succeeded in bringing victory to the man who was so instrumental in bringing about the election of a democratic governor and a democratic congressman last fall. It has resound and widened a very ugly chasm for the republicans. But, after all, if it has at last made this method of choosing minor judges such a stenial in the nostrils of all men that it will be abolished, we may be able to forget whatever fate may overtake Senator Judson.—Hartford Letter in Waterbury American.

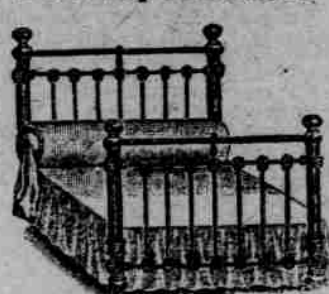
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### SUPERIOR COURT.

Criminal Cases Assigned for Trial at May Session.

In the Windham county superior court, Hon. Milton A. Shumway, judge, the following criminal cases will be tried at the May session:

Continued Cases—State vs. Joseph F. Esterbrook, concealing goods sold upon condition; Mary Gates, adultery; Daniel Doyle, statutory burglary; Sarah J. Lambert, perjury and theft from the person; George Martin and Florimond Trudeau, statutory burglary; William R. Hamilton, intoxication and breach of the peace; Albert Belwire, vagrancy.

New Cases—State vs. John Doyle, non-support of wife; George Borden, theft; William Gervais, breaking and

entering in the day time; John Curtin and Abraham Reuben, breaking and entering in the day time; Vincent Lombardo, assault with intent to murder; Andrew Babbitt, Clifford Babbitt, and Carl Babbitt, statutory burglary; Alfred E. Harvey, cruelty to animals; William Cooper, theft.

### State Attorney's Notice.

The attorney for the state gives notice that all accused persons will be put to plea Tuesday, May 18, 1911, at the opening of court and that he will commence the trial of criminal cases on Wednesday, May 17, 1911, at the opening of court, and in the following order, subject to such change as the condition of business may require:

Wednesday, May 17.

State vs. Sarah J. Lambert, perjury; Sarah J. Lambert, theft from

the person; William R. Hamilton, intoxication and breach of the peace; George Martin and Florimond Trudeau, statutory burglary; Albert Belwire, vagrancy; John Doyle, non-support of wife; George Borden, theft; William Gervais, breaking and entering in the day time; John Curtin and Abraham Reuben, breaking and entering in the day time.

### Thursday, May 18.

State vs. Vincent Lombardo, assault with intent to murder; Andrew Babbitt, Clifford Babbitt and Carl Babbitt, statutory burglary and theft.

Council Albert Halstead reports that at the recent annual sale of short-horns at Ringley Hall, in Burlington, a bull brought \$7,764.30 at auction, said to be the record price there. The animal goes to Scotland.

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